



COUNCIL WORK

The Aldermen Clean Up Much Unfinished Business, but Turn the Calumet Harbor Over to New Body.

The Battle for Delegates, Committeeships and Other Big Plums Taking Up Attention of Local Statesmen.

The April Primary Will Cut a Big Figure in the Coming Election Throughout the State of Illinois.

Factions in Both the Big Parties Are Making a Hard Fight for the Control of the Managing Committees.

The City Council at its last meeting passed the Calumet harbor ordinance to the next Council because of the charge that they contain a big land steal.

The ordinance went back to the committee after an hour's debate, during which it was asserted that under their provisions land which ultimately would be worth \$3,500,000 would be turned over to the Pullman Company and other corporations.

The five ordinances up for consideration constitute a preliminary step toward a Calumet harbor, the city giving to shore owners on the west side of Lake Calumet about 300 acres of submerged land in exchange for riparian rights.

Other actions taken by the Council included the following:

Adopted report of schools, fire, police and civil service committee recommending investigation of Eaton-Rowe scandal by State's Attorney Hoyne.

Defeated by narrow margin of one vote ordinance legalizing subbasement salesroom in Mandel Brothers' store.

Passed Franklin-Orleans bridge ordinance.

Referred to finance committee without action order introduced by Alderman Nance for investigation of tuberculosis sanitarium by finance committee.

Received report of judicial committee recommending ordinance providing for closing of wet restaurants at 1 o'clock.

Refuted action of Mayor Thompson in closing city hall on St. Patrick's day after numerous aldermen had voiced objections to recognition of other than legal holidays.

NEXT TUESDAY'S VOTE

Each Voter Will Be Handed Five Ballots from Which to Make a Choice.

There will be five ballots for each voter at the city election on April 4. The five ballots will be:

ALDERMANIC BALLOT—Names of candidates of four parties for one council seat.

JUDICIAL BALLOT—Names of party candidates for one place on the Municipal Court.

SEPARATE BALLOT—Referendum on amendments to the Municipal Court act.

SEPARATE BALLOT—Referendum on \$1,000,000 Lincoln Park bond issue approved by the last legislature.

Separate ballots for one park commissioner in each of thirteen small park districts.

The aldermanic, judicial and Municipal Court act amendment ballots will be used in all parts of the city. The Lincoln Park bond issue ballot will be necessary in the Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third and parts of the Twenty-fourth, Twenty-

fifth and Twenty-sixth wards. The small park ballots will be used in parts of the Ninth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Thirty-second, Thirty-third and Thirty-fifth wards.

The park consolidation act passed by the legislature in 1915 will not come up for action at the April election. The city council probably will seek to have it put on the ballot at the June Judicial election.

The Municipal Court act amendments which will be up for action include a provision making it possible to obtain service in a certain class of cases on any member of a family over 12 years of age, and a provision making possible an increase in the salary of the attorney to the chief bailiff to \$5,000.

AUTOISTS, BE CAREFUL!

Judge Sabath Sends Out Thirty Thousand Letters of Warning of Dangers to Public.

Judge Joseph Sabath, president of the Citizens' Traffic and Safety Commission, sent 31,000 letters to owners of automobiles asking their cooperation to reduce automobile accidents and deaths. The letter said in part:

"Chicago's record of killed and injured by automobile accidents sounds like the tragic report of a battle—3,289 injured and 258 killed last year. The accusing finger of investigation points to autoist and pedestrians alike, but particularly to the new automobile driver—the novice, the man who lacks experience. Thousands of these new drivers will be on the streets shortly, when spring arrives."

SWANSON WINS THE BAR

Republican Candidate for Judge of the Municipal Court Carries Bar Primary.

Following is the result of the Chicago Bar Association primary on the candidates for Municipal court judge to fill a vacancy:

John A. Swanson (Rep.).....806
Leo J. Doyle (Dem.).....451
Louis J. Delson (Sec.).....47
Orpheus A. Harding (Ind.).....46

The total number of ballots cast was 1,359. Of these nine were rejected because the rules were not obeyed.

ASK FOR WATER METERS

City Club Engineers Say They Are Only Solution of Chicago Water Problem.

City Club engineers have made a report urging immediate steps to remedy the city's water system.

Nearly half the water pumped, according to the engineers, is wasted through leaks, carelessness of consumers, and widespread extravagance in the use of the water.

The report is signed by E. W. Bemis, public utility engineer; Ray Palmer,

former city electrician, and Henry W. Clausen, assistant city engineer. Their principal recommendation is to make the installation of meters compulsory all over the city.

"A serious problem confronts Chicago," the report says. "During the months of largest water waste in the very cold and in very hot weather the pressure is insufficient for the fourth floors of apartment houses, the number of which is rapidly increasing.

"In any considerable fire at some distance from a large main enough water might not be obtained for efficient service by several engines pump-

only as now, where the frontage rate is \$100 per year and more, but where it is \$50 per year. Later the limit should be reduced to \$25 a year."

In Chicago the per capita pumpage of water is 254 gallons, or twice as much as most large cities where meters are universal.

THE BIG CONVENTION

Delegates to the Big Republican National Event Will Be Well Taken Care Of.

Chicago will take good care of the Republican National Convention delegates to the convention, who will meet in Chicago during the week of June 3, to select a presidential and vice presidential candidate and build up the G. O. P. platform, will be the guests of the City of Chicago at the second annual auto derby, which will be run at Speedway Park on June 10.

Mayor Thompson appointed a committee of some of the leading citizens of Chicago, who are to look after the entertaining of the convention delegates. The mayor's entertainment committee has been seeking entertainment which will not only please the guests but at the same time be something "different." There are many delegates who are coming from distant parts of the United States and who have never seen an automobile race, and without a doubt the auto derby, which was set a week ahead of the original date set for it, so as to accommodate the delegates, will be just the entertainment for them.

CLAIM 29 FOR SULLIVAN

Sullivan Organization Issues the Statement that It Will Carry That Many Wards.

The official statement came from Sullivan headquarters that the Sullivan forces will win twenty-nine of the thirty-five wards of Chicago.

"Only seven wards of the thirty-five are actually in doubt," was the declaration of Frank S. Ryan. "We are certain to win in twenty-eight wards. There are live contests in but thirteen wards. Those that may be classed as doubtful are the Third,

THE COMMITTEES

Forty-six Aldermen Have Signed a Pledge Binding Them to Select Non-Partisan Committees After Election.

Gossip About the Work of Public Officials and Others in Various Departments of Public Life.

Public Men and Public Conditions as They Are Seen by the People in the Light of Their Performances.

General Information of a Public and Political Nature From All Parts of the State and All Parties In It.

Forty-six aldermen have signed a pledge to abide by the City Council committee selections made by the committees chosen at a non-partisan caucus called by the Municipal Voters' League. Two others, Socialists, attended the conference and are expected to vote with the committee.

The committee, which will go to work immediately after the aldermanic election is composed of Aldermen Nance, Sitts and Lipps, Republicans, and Richert, Kerner and Geiger, Democrats.

Fifty-five aldermen were invited by

Henry D. Capitain; also present, Kjellander, Wallace, Gnad, Link and Pretzel.

West Side—Lewis D. Sitts; alternate, W. J. Healy; also present, Ray, Anderson, Uptate, Murray, Little, Buck and Janke.

South Side—Willis O. Nance; alternate, James A. Kearns; also present, Norris, Werner, McCormick, Cross, Tyden, Vanderbilt, Hrubec, Rea and Fisher.

Democrats.

North Side—Ellis Geiger; alternate, John H. Bauler; also present, Ellison.

West Side—Otto Kerner; alternate, S. S. Walkowiak; also present, McNichols, Klaus, Smith, Szymkowski, Zwiefka, Toman and Lynch. Rodriguez and Kennedy, Socialists, caucused with this group.

South Side—John A. Richert; alternate, Eugene Block; also present, Hickey, Doyle and Bergen.

MORE TRACTION SERVICE

Chicago Surface Lines Will Extend Many Routes During Present Year.

Street car lines are going to be extended as follows:

State street, from Eighty-first to Eighty-ninth streets.

One Hundred and Eleventh street, from Stewart avenue to Vincennes road.

Belmont avenue, from Crawford to Cicero avenues.

Western avenue, from Devon to Howard avenues.

Robey street, from Forty-seventh to Sixty-third streets.

Eighteenth street, from Eleventh street to Western avenue.

Thirty-first street, from Kedzie to Crawford avenues.

Lawrence avenue, from Milwaukee to Sixtieth avenues.

Devon avenue, from Clark street to Western avenue.

COLLECTOR RIVERS McNEIL

Notifies Motor Boat Owners of Chicago of the Laws They Must Obey.

So much trouble was experienced last year with persons who did not understand the motor boat laws and who, when arrested for violation, said they did not know where they could get copies of the laws, that Rivers McNeill, collector of customs, has instituted a plan to give every motorboat owner a chance to get the laws this year.

Mr. McNeill is sending to the postmaster of every town along the Illinois river and the Mississippi river to the southern boundary of the state letters asking them to supply motorboat owners with copies of the act which he will send to the post offices.

"Last season 1,100 boats in the rivers were boarded by the crews of the United States coast guard boats patrolling the rivers to enforce the law," said Mr. McNeill. "I should much prefer to supply motor boat owners

with copies of the regulations and the pilot rules and thus prevent violations rather than than impose a penalty after a violation, particularly where it was committed through ignorance of the law."

ROBBING THE TAXPAYER

Contractors Charge More for Paving This Year Than They Did Last Year.

Paving bids this year range from 8 to 15 cents a square yard more than last year, President Michael J. Faherty of the Board of Local Improvements told thirty street pavement contractors. When he wanted to know why, the contractors replied that the price of fuel oil has gone up, the distance of average hauls to dumps has increased and the cost of double teams has risen from \$6 a day to \$7.

SITTS WELL LIKED

Popular Alderman Will Be Re-elected Committeeman by Seventeenth Ward Republicans.

Alderman Lewis D. Sitts will be re-elected Republican Committeeman in the Seventeenth Ward. He deserves to be.

JOHN C. CANNON WINS

Popular and Able Republican Committeeman in Twenty-Sixth Ward Will Be Re-elected.

John C. Cannon, the popular and able Republican Committeeman for the Twenty-sixth Ward, will be re-elected beyond any question. The best people in the ward are for him and his record as a life-long Republican stands by him.

O'CONNELL AND HOYNE

Delegates to Democratic National Convention from the Second Congressional District.

William L. O'Connell and Maclay Hoyne will be elected Democratic National delegates in the Second District beyond any question. O'Connell is known far and wide as a man who never went back on a friend. Hoyne has a National reputation as a fearless public official. They are elected now.



COLONEL B. A. ECKHART,

Business Man, Financier and Republican Leader, Whose Loyalty to Friends and Honorable Methods Have Made Him Popular with Everybody.

ing at once. Most large cities maintain a much higher pressure in residence districts than does Chicago."

The engineers recommend that three preliminary steps be taken at once:

"The city council should appropriate \$10,000 for the construction of meter vaults at the curb where they cannot be set in basements.

"All unmetered premises devoted in whole or part to business and all public buildings should be metered.

"The city water department should have the authority to set meters not

Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Eleventh, Twenty-fifth and Thirty-fourth. All the rest are certain to be won by the regular organization candidates.

"The regular organization will be returned as in easy control of the Cook county committee and of the Cook county delegates to the National Convention. Our friends downstate will win without skipping a district and the Democratic state committee and the St. Louis delegation will be found to be overwhelmingly in sympathy with this organization."

the Municipal Voters' League to attend the caucus. Only five remained away, and Ald. Pettkoske, one who was not invited, appeared at the meeting and attempted to gain admission.

The aldermen who were invited and failed to appear were Michaelson, Blaha, Lawley, Miller and Mulac.

The members of the committee chosen from each side of the city, the alternates and the aldermen who attend each section caucus are:

Republicans.

North Side—W. F. Lipps; alternate,

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